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In Re Application Of:) Atty. Docket No.: 47097-01101USPT
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Application No.: 10/082,011)
Filed: February 22, 2002)
For: Trash Bags With Narrowing Seals)
To Facilitate Gripping)

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 20, 2003. The shortened statutory period for response is one month from the mailing date, i.e., by April 20, 2003. A Petition for a one (1) month extension of time is submitted herewith, extending the time period for response to May 20, 2003. Please enter the following claim amendments and remarks into the record for this application.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.